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## REQUEST AND/OR PETITION FOR CORRECTION OF FILING RECEIPT TO INCLUDE PRIORITY DATA AND CORRECTED FILING DATE

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request and petition that the Filing Receipt (copy enclosed with changes noted therein) for this application be corrected as follows:

The filing date of the application is listed as March 22, 2004, the date of applicants' (1) submission of replacement Figures 1 through 40R. Applicants respectfully submit that the application is entitled to the original filing date of September 11, 2003, because the replacement Figures were 06/08/2004 AWDNDAF1 00000053 10661032

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made in response to a *Notice to File Missing Parts*, and further because the replacement Figures contained no new matter.

The application as filed on September 11, 2003 contained Figures 1 through 34 and 36 through 40R. The *Notice to File Missing Parts* mailed on January 20, 2004 indicated that Figures 20 and 32 were objected to based on informal printing requirements, and that Figure 35 was missing.

In response, applicants submitted a *Response to Notice to File Missing Parts* on March 22, 2004, re-submitting Figures 1 through 40R, identical in all respects, except that Figures 20 and 32 were reprinted to meet the informal printing requirements, and Figure 35 was provided. As explained in the *Response to Notice to File Missing Parts* at page 1 and the accompanying *Preliminary Amendment* at page 4, the inclusion of Figure 35 did not constitute new matter because it was the same as Figure 34 in the parent application, U.S. Serial No. 10/379,287 which was properly incorporated by reference in the present application.

For at least the above reasons, applicants believe that the present application is entitled to its original filing date of September 11, 2003, and therefore respectfully request and petition correction of the filing date on the *Filing Receipt*.

(2) The Domestic Priority data should reflect that the present application claims priority as a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 10/379,287 filed March 3, 2003, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/440,201 filed January 15, 2003 and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/360,821 filed March 1, 2002. The claim to the filing dates of these parent applications was made in both the *Declaration and Power of Attorney* and the original application as filed. Additionally, a *Second Preliminary Amendment* is being filed concurrently, in which the corresponding priority claim has been clarified. A copy of this *Second Preliminary Amendment* is enclosed herewith. Therefore, applicants respectfully request and petition that the Filing Receipt be corrected to reflect this claim for priority.

Accordingly, please issue a corrected filing receipt and update the PTO records to reflect the corrections as indicated in red ink on the revised copy of the Filing Receipt enclosed herewith.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h), a fee of \$130.00 is believed to be due for the filing of this Request and/or Petition. A check in that amount is enclosed herewith. The Director is hereby authorized to charge all additional required fees and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-0540.

Dated: June 4, 2004

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**CONFIRMATION NO. 6754** UPDATED FILING RECEIPT

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### Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This applin claims benefit of 60/440,201 01/15/2003 is a continuation-in-part of 10/379, 287 03/03/2003

**Foreign Applications** 

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Multivalent constructs for therapeutic and diagnostic applications

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## SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Before issuance of an Office Action, please amend the specification as indicated below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

#### IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, under the heading "Related Applications," please delete the paragraph at lines 6-9 and insert therefor the following paragraph:

This application is a continuation in part of U.S. Application No. 10/379,287 filed March 3, 2003, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/440,201 filed January 15, 2003 and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/360,821 filed March 1, 2002, all of which are incorporated by reference herein in their entirety.

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to correctly identify the present application

as a continuation in part application of U.S. Application No. 10/379,287 filed March 3, 2003,

which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/440,201 filed January 15,

2003 and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/360,821 filed March 1, 2002, all of which

are incorporated by reference herein in their entirety.

Applicants have previously claimed benefit to these aforementioned applications

in the original application as filed (i.e., in the Specification, at page 1, lines 6-9), as well as in the

Declaration and Power of Attorney. To better clarify this claim for priority, applicants thus file

the present Second Preliminary Amendment to more clearly define that the present application is

a continuation-in-part application.

No new matter has been added. No fee is believed to be due for the filing of this

Second Preliminary Amendment. Please charge any required fees or credit any overpayment to

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